

Commercial.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

(Received by this week's mail, and compiled expressly for the 'Canadian Illustrated News'.)

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 24th, 1862.

Table with columns for 'WHEAT PER CENTAL 100 LBS' and 'FLOUR PER BBL'. Includes items like Canadian white, American white, and various flour grades.

Table for 'PETROLEUM' with columns for 'American Grade per ton' and 'Refined, burning, best quality per gallon'.

The business transacted in the provision market this week has been on an increased scale, but prices still rather favor buyers.

Pork is also in more request at our quotations.

There is a fair retail demand for Bacon, which is met freely on the part of holders.

Lard sells freely at rather better prices, the sales this week reaching 500 to 600 tons.

There is a steady consumptive demand for Cheese, which with the prospect of reduced imports, has imparted a firm tone to the market.

Butter—Choice qualities are more sought after, but secondary and inferior sorts are still neglected.

In the corn market, both wheat and flour are quiet, but unaltered in value; prices remain steady.

Petroleum—The market is very quiet, but holders continue firm, in anticipation of a better demand springing up.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Feb. 11.

Flour—Pollards, \$2 25 to \$2 80; Middlings, \$2 70 a \$3; Fine, 3 75 to \$4 10; Superfine, No. 2, \$1 25 a \$1 30; Superfine \$4 45 a \$4 50.

Oatmeal per bbl of 200 lbs., about \$4 60 a \$4 80.

Wheat—Canada Spring, 91c. a 94c. ex-cars; U. C. white winter, nominal, \$1 02 a \$1 03c.

Peas per 66 lbs., 70c a 72½c. Nominal.

Lard per lb., 7c a 8c.

Tallow per lb., 8c a 8½c.

Hams per lb., no transactions.

Pork per bbl., mess, \$10 a \$10 50; thin mess, \$8 50 a \$9; prime mess, \$7 a \$7 50; prime, \$7 a \$7 50.

Dressed hogs per 100 lbs., are very dull, and prices irregular; we may quote from \$3 to \$4, according to quality and condition.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.

Flour—Receipts, 11,743 bbls; market dull and unsettled and 5c to 10c lower; sales 8,000 bbls at \$6 40 a \$6 85.

Canadian flour dull and 5c lower; sales 400 bbls at \$7 05 a \$7 25 for common; \$7 35 a \$9 for good to choice extra.

Rye flour quiet at \$1 26 a \$5 for prime and superfine.

Wheat—Receipts, 3,823 bush; market dull and 1c lower; sales trifling; \$1 35 a \$1 53c.

Rye quiet at \$1 05 a \$1 10.

Barley nominal, at \$1 45 a \$1 65.

Corn—Receipts, 3,990 bush; market unsettled; sales 7,500 bush at 90c a 92c for shipping mixed western; 79c a 80c for un-sound.

Oats—firmer at 72c a 76c for Canada, Western and State.

Pork—dull and heavy; sales 300 bbls at \$14 75 for mess; \$11 50 a \$13 62 for prime.

Beef—quiet; cut meats, unchanged.

Dressed hogs—quiet at 6½ a 6¾ for West-ern.

Lard—heavy; sales 200 bbls at 10½ a 11c.

Butter—selling at 16c a 20c for Ohio, 23c a 28c for State.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Traffic for week ending 6th February, 1862. \$72,801 66

Corresponding week last year. 50,562 01½

Increase, \$22,239 64½

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Traffic for week ending January 31, 1862. \$93,728 56

Corresponding week, 1861. \$2,771 01

Increase, \$10,957 52

Comp'y's freight included in above, Nil.

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VALENTINE'S DAY.

The day, St. Valentine, When maids are brisk, and, at the break of day,

Start up, and turn their pillows; curious all To know what happy swain the lates provide, A mate for life. Then follow thick discharge Of true-love knots, and sonnets, nicely pen- ned,

But, to the learned critic's eye, no verse, But prose distracted.—HUMPHIS.

In Perthshire it is a custom for servants to call any cow or calf that their masters may chance to purchase, either by the name of the town from which it came, or by the name and surname of its previous owner. The following is a good illustration of this practice. A fine specimen of the British farmer once lived not far from the lively village of St. Martin's. This worthy old gentleman bought a calf from an elderly neighbor named Storer, but before he reached home with his purchase the shades of evening had closed around him, and his family and domestic servants had retired to rest. Disdaining to disturb either family or servants, he proceeded to the byre, and bound the calf with his own hands. On entering the house, he informed his elder son of what he had done, and observed that he would see it in the morning. On the following morning the son went to the byre to see the calf, but was surprised to find that it was dead. He immediately went to his father, and with a sorrowful face informed him that Jamie Storer was dead. 'Oh, never mind,' said the sire; 'Jamie was an oddish sort of a man; you couldna look for anything else. In fact, I aye thoct he wad gang awa like the snuffing o' a candle. Never mind, never mind.'—'Ay, but father,' exclaimed the son, 'it's Jamie Storer, the calf that's dead!'—'Jamie Storer; the calf!' shouted the venerable sire; 'that alters the case. Bring me my slippers!' An order which was speedily obeyed. In company they reached the byre, only to find the sad tale verified. Poor Jamie had been rather slack bound, and in his struggles to free himself he was choked. The old man left the byre, muttering to himself, 'Ah, weel! ah, weel! it's but world's gear. It's maybe better the way it is. Auld Jamie is a nice kind o' a chield!'

A runaway couple having been married at Gretna Green, Vulcan demanded five guineas for his services 'How is this?' said the bridegroom; 'the gentleman you last married assured me he only gave you a guinea.' 'True,' said the Smith, 'but he was an Irishman, and I have married him six times. He is a customer, you know; but you I may never see again.'

Get good sense and you will not repine at the want of good luck.

Frequent application is to the mind what repeated tillage is to the earth.

VIRTUE AND VICE.—Virtue is the humble violet nestled away under its broad green leaves, over whose head the storms of adversity may pass in safety: vice, the gaudy poisonous flower, one moment flaunting in fancied security, the next, crushed to the earth by some gust of passion, to be trampled upon and neglected, even by those who admire its dangerous beauty. Virtue is the brightest—vice the blackest thread in the web of life.

That which is bitter to be endured, may be sweet to be remembered.

Let discretion temper your desires.

INTEMPERANCE.—Oh, could a drunken man, when sober, see himself and hear himself, when under the influence of liquor, how would he abhor himself—how detest the intoxicating draught—and how would he desire to refrain from that which must, sooner or later, bring disgrace upon himself, and destruction upon his household.

A pretty female artist can draw the men equally with a brush or a blush.

A SENSIBLE QUESTION.—A farmer required a number of reapers. Several presented themselves, and all were hired except one. The poor man thus omitted said, 'Master, won't you hire me?' 'No,' said the farmer—'Why not?'—'Because you are too little.' 'Too little?' exclaimed Paddy; 'does your honor rape your corn at the top?' What could the farmer do but roar with laughter, and send the little man to work in the field?

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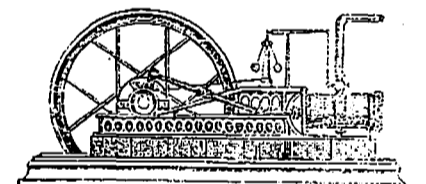
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